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SUBMISSION IN SUPPORT OF
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

Please re-open prosecution of the present application and consider this submission in support of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) that is filed concurrently herewith. Since the RCE is filed after the issue fee has been paid, a Petition to Withdraw from Issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) is filed concurrently herewith.

- **Amendments to the Claims** being at page 2.
- **Remarks** begin at page 21.